

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 1874 without my signature.

The expansion of broadband access is a critical component for increasing the economic prosperity of California and its citizens. Statewide broadband access for companies and individuals helps in our bid to increase our competitive-advantage to attract and retain business in California. However, to achieve this important goal, we must have a comprehensive solution to greatly expand broadband access.

I am calling on the Legislature to work with my Administration in the coming year to develop a comprehensive plan to expand the economic prosperity of the State, which must include methods to accelerate broadband deployment in the best interests of the State, its businesses and its citizens.

For this reason I am returning the bill unsigned.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger